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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

RAYVEN JUSTICE,

No. C-14-01767 DMR

Plaintiff(s),

v.

ICE KING ENTERPRISES LLC,

Defendant(s).

ORDER RE: EX PARTE APPLICATION R ORDER DIRECTING SERVICE N DEFENDANT CORPORATION BY DELIVERY OF PROCESS TO SECRETARY OF STATE [DOCKET NO.

Plaintiff Rayven Justice filed an ex parte application requesting the court issue an order permitting Plaintiff to serve Defendant Ice King Enterprises LLC d/b/a/ Ice King Music by delivering process to the California Secretary of State. [Docket No. 18.]

When a plaintiff "show[s] by affidavit to the satisfaction of the court that process against a domestic corporation cannot be served with reasonable diligence upon the designated agent by hand," he or she may apply to the court for an order that service be made by hand delivery of the summons and complaint to the California Secretary of State. Cal. Corp. Code § 1702(a); see also Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(e)(1) (authorizing service in any manner permitted by state where district court is located); Verizon California Inc. v. OnlineNIC Inc., No. C 08-2832 JF(RS), 2008 WL 4848881 at *3 (N.D. Cal. Nov. 7, 2008) (granting ex parte application for service by delivery to Secretary of State).

Here, Plaintiff's application does not include the required affidavit. It is therefore **denied** without prejudice. Plaintiff may refile the application with an affidavit that meets the requirements of Cal. Corp. Code § 1702(a), including by listing in clear chronological order Plaintiff's attempts to serve Defendant.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: August 18, 2014

